

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jeffrey A. Ledbetter et al.  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.